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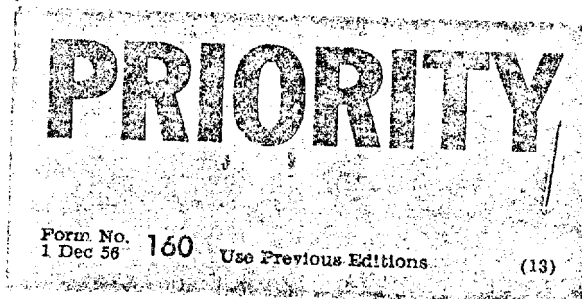
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Remarks:

Ambassador Quainton gave me the attached memorandum today. He will be testifying for the Department of State.



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Honorable Cyrus R. Vance
 Secretary of State
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

The House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on Evaluation, is conducting a series of hearings on terrorism. The hearings will cover both the nature of the terrorist threat and the ability of the United States Government to prevent or respond to terrorist actions.

I would like to invite a senior representative of the Department of State to provide expert testimony at a closed hearing on August 15, 1978, at 9:00 a.m., on the role of the State Department in coordination of the anti-terrorist activities of the United States Government. The witness should provide an insight into the international terrorist problem including the effectiveness of our intelligence capabilities in response to the terrorist threat.

The Committee staff member assigned to this matter is Mr. Herbert Romerstein, at telephone number 225-7823.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

Edward P. Boland
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 Chairman